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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT [redacted]

SUBJECT Merseburg Airfield (POL pipeline) DATE DISTR. 0 MAR 1959
ammo depot, personnel NO. PAGES 1
accommodation for 12 planes REFERENCES RD
2 Russian troops

DATE OF INFO. [redacted] 25X1

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report on

Merseburg airfield which gives information on POL pipelines, a new ammunition depot, AA Barracks, East German Army troops, Soviet troops, AA rocket weapons, and new type vehicles. A sketch of the new type vehicles is also included.

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MERSEBURG AIRFIELD

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1. Two POL pipelines of about 10 cm diameter and running underground have been laid from the old German POL Depot, and the new POL Depot behind the hangars, to the dispersal areas along the taxiways.

2. New Ammunition Depot

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At approximately 025 915 [redacted] a new ammunition depot is to be constructed. The excavation and constructional work will be carried out by Bau Union BRANDENBURG. A water pump installation is to be installed by a LEIPZIG firm, the water being drawn from the **abandoned** lignite mine workings nearby. Two rail spurs will serve the ammunition depot, one from each of the rail tracks which run to the north and to the south of the site. This work will be carried out by RBD HALLE personnel.

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3. A/A BARRACKS

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In the A/A Barracks there are 4 new vehicles which appear generally as shown in the attached sketch. These vehicles which can be easily separated into two parts are being used for the transport of long nine-line objects. [redacted]

4. 6 Jan 58

EGA troops from the MAGDEBURG area arrived at the A/A BARRACKS, MERSEBURG and took over from the Soviet troops 3 A/A guns and one mobile radar array. The guns were estimated to have about 100 mm. calibre and twin wheels.

5. 10 Jan 58

About 120 Soviet troops from MERSEBURG A/A BARRACKS entrained at MERSEBURG Railway Station. Their baggage, in suitcases and boxes, was heavily **wrapped in** blankets and stitched **hessian**. They appeared to be leaving on re-posting to USSR.

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6. A/A rocket weapons are constantly arriving at the barracks and local German opinion is that Soviet A/A defence is being based on rockets rather than guns. [redacted]

7. The Soviet OC MERSEBURG A/A Barracks has moved with his staff to the airfield. There are very few aircraft at the airfield but there is much coming and going of soldiers in the hangars, each of which has a standing guard of 4 sentries and the doors **remain closed**. [redacted]

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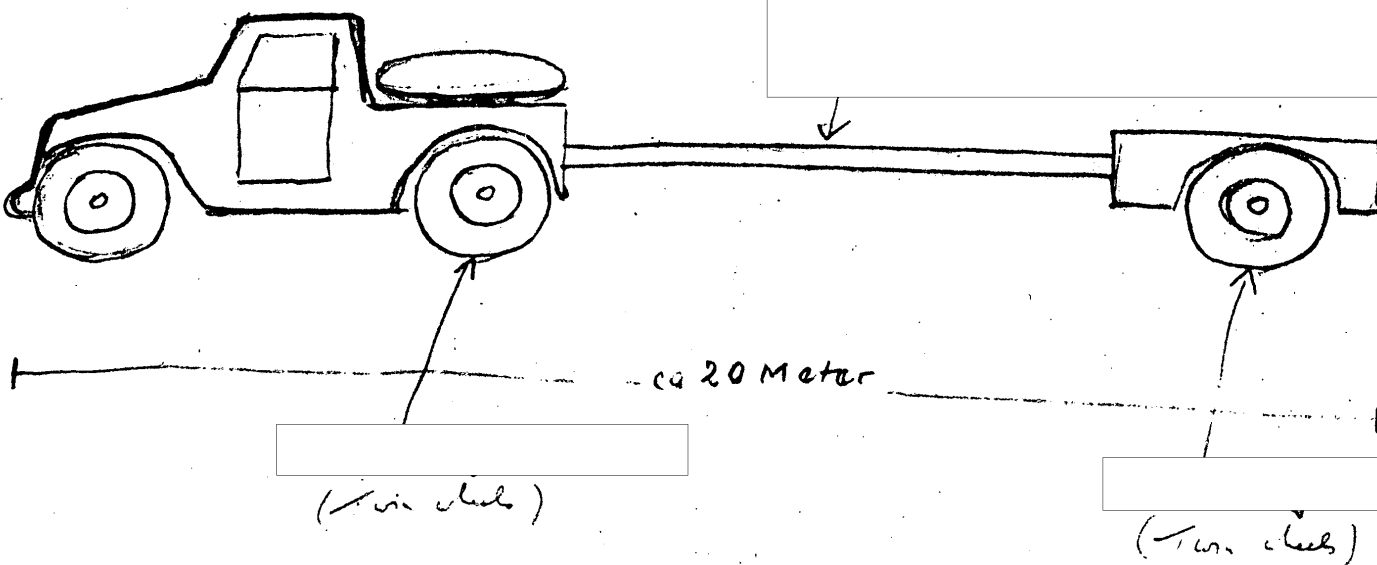
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